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Besides the Warnær Wessels with whom this paper chiefly deals, there was another person bearing the same name who settled at an early date at New Amsterdam. It is possible that all of the name were related; but if so there is now no evidence at hand to establish the connection. Not to mention the various families, such as that of Major Dirk Wessels Ten Broeck, whose descendants bear the name Ten Broeck, and whose history is well known, it may be well before beginning our account of Warnær Wessels, the Exciseman, and his descendants, to notice briefly other persons in New Amsterdam bearing the name of Wessels.

In vol. 6, p. 277, of the "Records of New Amsterdam" (Minutes of the Court of Burgomasters and Schepens), under the date of Jan. 17, 1670-71, we find the following entry: "Samuel Edsal in right Jenneken his Wife, Warnær Wessels Junior, Gelyn Verplanck in the right Hendrickie his Wife, and the afore-mentioned on the behalf of Harmen Wessels now residing in Holland, all brothers and sisters of Harmen Wessels, lately deceased P^{ts} contra Gerrit Huygen and Geertie Rutgers late widow of the aforementioned Harmen Wessels, defts. The court having viewed and examined the Testament of s^d Harmen Wessels and Geertie Rutgers, and heard the debates between both parties, do decree and order that the Def^{ts} according To the Tennour of the s^d Will shall pay to the p^{ts} f. 505 Hollands Money & to deliver to the p^{ts} a Coppy of y^e Inventory produced in Court, as also a Coppy of the debt booke mentioned in the s^d Inventory, and to pay the Charges of the Court Equally betwixt them."

The will of Harmen Wessels, unfortunately, is not found, and we can only conjecture the relationship of the Harmen spoken of as residing in Holland to the deceased Harmen Wessels, Warnær Wessels, Jr., etc. Since there was a Harmen Wessels apparently besides Dr. Harmanus Wessels in New Amsterdam as early as 1662 (Records of New Amsterdam, vol. 4, p. 168), it seems not improbable that the Harmen residing in Holland in 1670 was the father of the Harmen Wessels, deceased, Warnær Wessels, Jr., etc., and that he had returned to Holland. The place of origin of this Wessels family is indicated by the record of marriage of Samuel Edsall to Jannetje Wessels in the record of the Reformed Dutch Church of New York (Marriages, p. 19): "May 29, 1655, Samuel Idsall Van Ridding in Baruychshier (Berkshire) in Oudt Engelandt (Old England), en Jannetje Wessels Van Aernhem in Gelderlandt." In the record of the marriage, June 1, 1668, of Galeyn Ver Plancken, young man, of New York, Hendrickje Wessels, is spoken of as a young woman from Aernhem in Gelderlandt also. April 10, 1667, Warnært Wessels, young man from Arnhem,

and Debora Pieters of New York were married. This is doubtless the Warnae Wessels, Junior, spoken of in the document referred to above. His will is dated Dec. 12, 1701, and was proved Nov. 19, 1702. He mentions his wife Elizabeth and speaks of his son Peter and his daughter Antie as children of his deceased wife Deborah. He had a daughter Janicke by his second wife. He was a hat maker (N. Y. Hist. Soc. Collections, Abstracts of Wills, vol. i, p. 349). Similarity of names creates the probability that this family was related to our Warnae Wessels, but there is no proof of this relationship. Warnae Wessels, the hat maker, was sometimes called Junior, as in the document cited, to distinguish him from the older man.

There were other persons bearing the name of Wessels apparently not related to either Warnae Wessels, the Exciseman, or to the family just considered.

For instance, an examination of the index of the "Records of New Amsterdam" reveals that there was a David Wessels whose name occurs frequently. He was from East Vrieslant and married Tÿtje Gommers, Nov. 20, 1658. But we must now turn to our subject—Warnae Wessels, the Exciseman, and his family.

We find mention of Warnae Wessels in New Amsterdam as early as 1653 when he is named as defendant in a suit brought by Hendrick Van Dyck (Records of New Amsterdam, vol. i, p. 141). There is no indication as to who his father was or that he ever came to America, but his mother came as is proved by this record: "Warnae Wessels plft. vs. Hendrick Van der Walle, deft. By virtue of power from his mother, etc.," in which she is spoken of as Metje. She seems to have been in business independently, being mentioned as early as 1655, and her name occurs frequently in the records as late as 1671. Warnae Wessels was a man of some prominence, his name occurring frequently in the Court Records of New Amsterdam, for the most part in connection with suits arising from his duties as exciseman. In 1656 he had the position of Farmer of the Excise, to which he was appointed Dec. 1, 1654. He was appointed Gauger and Assizer, Jan. 8, 1657 (Records of N. A., vol. 2, p. 262). Nov. 16, 1669, he was appointed constable (Records of N. A., vol. 6, p. 263). He was named as a small burgher in 1657.

An important document for our knowledge of the family of Warnae Wessels is the will of Henrica Anthony. It is dated Jan. 16, 1701, and was proved Aug. 16, 1707. She mentions her three grandsons Henry, Allard, and Nicholas Anthony; her brother Warnae Wessels, and his children: Henry Coerten, son of her sister, Christina Coerten, widow; her sister Maria Aldricks of New Castle, Penn.; her brother Harmanus Wessels, late of New York, Chirurgion; and her brother Dirk Wessels of New York. The executors mentioned are Isaac De Riemer, William Jackson, and Colonel Jacob Rutsen of Ulster County. In the codicil, dated Aug. 24, 1702, she makes Henricus Coerten, mariner, Andreas Teller, merchant, William Jackson, and Jacobus Kip, husband of the late widow Ver Plank, executors. When the will was proved Henry Coerten and William Jackson were the only surviving executors.

In this connection may be mentioned the fact that Allard Anthony in giving testimony in a law suit, speaks of Warnæ Wessels, the Exciseman, as his brother-in-law (Records of New Amsterdam, vol. 2, p. 421). Unfortunately the value of this evidence as to the relationship of Allard Anthony and Warnæ Wessels is vitated by the fact that in vol. 3, p. 1, Warnæ Wessels is spoken of as father-in-law of Allard Anthony. One of the two entries is in error, probably due to a mistake in transcription, and doubtless brother-in-law is the correct relationship.

We are obliged, therefore, to begin our account of the family with the name of the progenitor unknown. Probably he died in Holland and never came to America. It is not improbable that his name was Warnæ, and possibly he did come but died soon. It would seem that the home in Holland was in Utrecht, since both Henrica Wessels and Maria Wessels, sisters of Warnæ Wessels, are spoken of as from Utrecht in the records of their marriages. Christina, another sister, however, is spoken of as from Dordrecht in the record of her marriage.

Metje Wessels, then, probably a widow from Utrecht, shortly before 1653, emigrated to New Amsterdam bringing with her her sons Harmanus, Warnæ and Dirk, all seemingly already married, and her daughters Henrica, Christina, and Maria. Children:

- 2 i. Warnæ,² m. Anna Elizabeth Masschop.
- 3 ii. Harmanus, m. (1) Agatha Van Zalen; m. (2) Dec. 24, 1652, Magdaleentje Duurkoop, young woman of Amsterdam.
- 4 iii. Dirk, m. Rachel (Vermilye), widow of John Terbosch.
- 5 iv. Henrica, m. Allard Anthony, April 12, 1656.
- 6 v. Christina, m. (1) Barent Cours, May 16, 1675.
- 7 vi. Maria, m. Peter Alricks, Feb. 9, 1664.

2. WARNÆ² WESSELS (Metje¹), was the Exciseman, and his public activities having already been discussed, need no repetition. Therefore we shall speak here only of his family. The baptisms of his children are recorded in the Register of the Dutch Reformed Church of New York, and there the name of his wife is given as Anna Elizabeth Maskop or Massop. For example, April 8, 1657, was baptised Gerardus, son of Warnæ Wessels and Anna Elizabeth Maskop. The sponsors are Allard Anthony and Metje Boonen. Probably Warnæ Wessels was married before coming to New Amsterdam; certainly the name of Mascop does not appear elsewhere in New York records.

The date of the death of Warnæ Wessels is not known, but he must have died before Aug., 1675, for on Aug. 8, 1675, were married Francois Rombouts, the widower of Altje Wessels, and Anna Elizabeth Maschop, the widow of Warnæ Wessels, both of New York (Reformed Dutch Church Records, Marriages, p. 40). The relationship of Altje Wessels to others of the same name is not known. She came from Tolhuys near Schenenchschaus, and they were married, May 31, 1665. Anna Elizabeth Maskop died before Sept., 1683, for on Sept. 8, 1683, Francois Rombouts mar-

ried Helena Teller. He was very prominent in New Amsterdam, holding many public offices, and was a man of wealth and social position. Children:

- 8 i. Gerardus,^s bap. April 8, 1657.
- 9 ii. Gertruyd, bap. March 31, 1659; m. — Munster.
- 10 iii. Maria, bap. Oct. 24, 1660; m. Richard Ashfield.
- 11 iv. Christina, bap. March 5, 1662; m. Jacob Teller.
- 12 v. Aeltie, m. Isaac De Riemer.

3. HARMANUS^s WESSELS (Metje'), married (1) Agatha Van Zalen, as we learn from the record of his second marriage: "Jan. 31, 1683, Mr. Hermanus Wessels, Wed^r. (widower) Van Agatha Van Zalen en (and) Magdaleentje Duurkoop, j. d. (young woman). Van Amsterdam" (Reformed Dutch Church Records, Marriages, p. 52). He is spoken of by his sister, Henrica Anthony, in her will as a Chirurgeon, and in the records various references to him in that capacity are found; for example in vol. 2 of wills (New York Historical Society Collections, pp. 421, 434, 436, 463). The date of his death is not known, but references to him as late as 1683 appear. Children:

By first wife:

- 13 i. Anna,^s m. William Jackson, Jan. 24, 1694.

By second wife:

- ii. Maryken, bap. June 3, 1687.

4. DIRK^s WESSELS (Metje'), is mentioned in his sister Henrica Anthony's will as of New York. April 13, 1679, we find recorded the marriage of Dirk Wesselzen, young man from Tolhuys, at Aernhem, and Rachel Van Melje, widow Jan Van Bos. If as seems probable, this Dirk Wessels is ours, this record is interesting as confirming the hypothesis of relationship between the two families of the name, for it will be remembered that the family referred to in the legal document cited in vol. 6, p. 277, of the "Records of New Amsterdam," came from Aernhem. Rachel Vermilye was the daughter of Isaac Vermilye, one of the most prominent of the founders of Harlem. For some account of him see Riker's *History of Harlem*. Nothing further is known of Dirk Wessels.

5. HENRICA^s WESSELS (Metje'), married Allard Anthony from Amsterdam, April 12, 1656. She is spoken of as a young woman from Utrecht. He was a son of Fransiscus Anthony, and was very prominent in the public life of the time. He was appointed Burgomaster, Dec. 8, 1654, and also in 1655, and in 1663; he was Treasurer in 1656; Orphan Master in 1658, *et seq.*; he was chosen as "Officer of the City," Nov. 22, 1664; he was appointed Sheriff in 1665, and seems to have served as late as 1672. The will of Allard Anthony is dated Dec. 12, 1685. He leaves his whole estate to his wife, cutting off his only son Nicholas with the proverbial shilling because he had displeased him in his marriage. He speaks of his father Fransiscus Anthony of Holland. His house was on the west side of Broadway, a little south of Oyster Pasty Lane. The will of Henrica Anthony has already been

spoken of, since it was of first importance for our understanding of the origin of the Wessels family. The son Nicholas was deceased, and her whole estate was left to her grandchildren, Henry, Allard, and Nicholas Anthony. Child:

- 14 i. Nicholas,³ bap. Jan. 28, 1657; m. Engeltje Schoonmaker.

6. CHRISTINA³ WESSELS (Metje¹), married Barent Cours, Courten, or Coursen, May 16, 1675. He was a widower whose first wife was Annetje Jans. In the record of the marriage of Barent Cours to Annetje Jans, Dec. 12, 1664, he is spoken of as from Rhenen in Munster; Annetje Jans was the widow of Andries Spiering. In the marriage record, Christina Wessels is spoken of as a young woman from Dordrecht. The will of Barent Coersen is dated Sept. 25, 1688, and was proved Jan. 8, 1688/9. He mentions his wife Christina Wessels, his son Henricus, and his daughter Anna. The wife is made executrix. Barent Courten had two children by his first wife: Annetje, bap. Oct. 20, 1667, and Hendrick, bap. May 1, 1670. Evidently this Hendrick died young, for the one child by the second wife was given the same name. Child:

- 15 i. Hendrick,³ bap. Dec. 22, 1675. The witnesses are Peter Alricks and Henrica Wessels.

7. MARIA³ WESSELS (Metje¹), married Peter Alricks, Feb. 9, 1664. For some account of the descendants of Peter Alricks, see *N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. xlv, p. 226 (July, 1913). It should be noted here that he married, not the daughter, as there stated in error, but the sister of Waraer Wessels, the Exciseman. A few additional facts gleaned since the compiling of the Alricks article are here included. Children:

- i. Peter Sigfridus,³ bap. Oct. 3, 1666; m. Maria Oblinus, b. 1668, dau. of Joost Oblinus and his wife Maria Sammis of Harlem (m. 1661), and widow of Thomas Tourneur, whom she m. April 5, 1692 (*Riker's History of Harlem*).
 ii. Harmanus.
 iii. Jacobus, bap. Sept. 10, 1671.
 16 iv. Wessels, m. probably Elizabeth, dau. of John Purdy, of all Hallows Parish, Ann Arundel County, Maryland, who mentions his daughter Elizabeth Alridge in his will, dated Oct. 21, 1701 (*Maryland Wills*, vol. 3, p. 233).

8. GERARDUS³ WESSELS (Warnaer,² Metje¹), was baptised April 8, 1657. Through the influence, doubtless, of his uncle Peter Alricks, Gerardus Wessels went to Kent County, Delaware, where he was Justice of the Peace as early as Oct. 22, 1684 (*Pa. Arch.*, 2nd Series, ix, p. 655). He later removed to Cecil County, Maryland. His will is dated Jan. 11, 1706/7, and was proved July 17, 1708. He calls himself "Chirurgion," and we may well believe that he had studied medicine with his uncle Dr. Harmanus Wessels of New York. His wife is not mentioned in the will, and probably she was deceased. He gives his son James the homestead plantation

and makes him residuary legatee; to his daughters Elizabeth and Ann he gives personal estate and a warrant for 500 acres of land; to Arano Goodwin, he leaves a plantation of 100 acres called "Cockold's Hope" during his life, providing that it should go to Jacob Goodwin after his decease. The executors are William and Jackes Harris; and Sigfredus Alricks is named among the witnesses (Maryland Wills, vol. 3, p. 117). Nothing further learned. Children:

- i. James.⁴
- ii. Elizabeth.
- iii. Ann.
- iv. Possibly one who married Arano Goodwin.

9. GERTRUYD³ WESSELS (Warnaer,² Metje¹), was baptized March 31, 1695. We learn from the will of her sister Christina (No. 11), that she married a man named Munster and was a widow (1698).

10. MARIA³ WESSELS (Warnaer,² Metje¹), was baptised Oct. 24, 1660. She married Richard Ashfield, Aug. 5, 1687. He was a merchant of New York. He came to America soon after the Duke of York had confirmed the sale of East Jersey to the proprietors. He was a nephew of Thomas Hart of Enfield, Middlesex (England), merchant, one of the twenty-four East Jersey proprietors. Thomas Hart dying after 1700, his right in East Jersey descended to his sister and heir, Patience Ashfield, from whom it descended to her grandson and heir, Richard² Ashfield. He had, therefore, one whole propriety in East Jersey (*N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. 6, p. 21; *N. J. Archives*, x, p. 131). Probably he moved to East Jersey and died there, for April 5, 1714, Richard Ashfield, about 18 years old, petitioned for the appointment of Capt. Isaac de Riemer of New York as his guardian (*N. J. Archives*, xxiii, 17). Children:

- i. Anna Elizabeth,⁴ bap. May 23, 1688.
- ii. Anna Elizabeth, bap. Dec. 25, 1691.
- iii. Maria, bap. May 27, 1694.
- 17 iv. Richard, bap. Dec. 15, 1695.
- v. Patience, bap. Sept. 4, 1698.
- vi. Maria, bap. Dec. 10, 1701.

11. CHRISTINA³ WESSELS (Warnaer,² Metje¹), was baptised March 5, 1662. She married Oct. 24, 1683, Jacob Teller of Albany, who was born in 1658. He was the son of William Teller, the first of the family, who was born about 1620, and who came over in 1639. He tells us in a deposition, dated July 6, 1698, that he was sent to Fort Orange by Kieft, served there as corporal, and was made "Wachtmeester" of the Fort; that he continued his residence at Albany from 1639 to 1692. He was a merchant, and with his sons removed in 1692 to New York, where he died in 1701. His first wife, who was the mother of Jacob, was Margaret Donchesen, and his second, married in 1664, was Maria Varleth, widow of Paulus Schrich.

Jacob Teller lived in Whitehall Street, New York, in 1686. He was master of the sloop *Hopewell*, plying between New York

and Esopus. His will is dated Aug. 17, 1696, and was proved April 27, 1697. In it he mentions his wife Christina and a daughter Anna Margaret. He mentions his brothers-in-law—by error in the abstract in the N. Y. Hist. Soc. Coll., vol. i, p. 276, Ashfield is called father-in-law—Richard Ashfield, and Isaac de Riemer. Christina Teller, widow of Jacob, mariner, made her will, Dec. 17, 1698. She leaves her estate to her daughter Anna Margaret; provides that in the event of the death of the daughter, it is to go to her brother Gerardus Wessels, her sisters Gertruyd Wessels, widow of — Munster, Maria Wessels, wife of Richard Ashfield, and Aeltie Wessels, wife of Isaac de Riemer; and directs that her daughter should be instructed in such arts, sciences, or tongues convenient for her, as can be learned in the province. Children:

- i. William,⁴ bap. Dec. 22, 1689, probably d. young.
- 18 ii. Margaret, bap. Aug. 1, 1694; m. Dirk Egbertze, Sept. 25, 1709.

12. AELTIE⁵ WESSELS (Warnaer,² Metje¹), is the only child of Warnaer Wessels whose baptism is not found in the Dutch Reformed Church Records. She married Isaac de Riemer, Jan. 10, 1689. He was the son of Pieter de Riemer, and was baptised Jan. 10, 1666. Peter de Riemer was the son of Isaac de Riemer, the founder of the family, and his wife Lysbet Grevenraet, married doubtless in Holland, and was born in 1643. The third husband of Lysbet Grevenraet was Dominie Samuel Drisius, assistant pastor of the Dutch Church. She died Sept. 13, 1686. Pieter De Riemer, born 1643, was a glazier. He married Jan. 3, 1665, Susanna de Foreest, daughter of Isaac and his wife Sarah du Trieux, who were married June 9, 1641. Pieter de Riemer's will was proved Oct. 5, 1702. He mentions his wife Susanna and his son Isaac. Isaac de Riemer was a prominent merchant and citizen of New York. Besides holding other minor offices, he served as lieutenant and captain in the militia; as treasurer of the city; as mayor in 1700; and as a member of the Colonial Assembly from 1700 to 1702. Children:

- i. Petrus,⁴ bap. Jan. 22, 1690.
- ii. Isaac, bap. Sept. 6, 1691.
- iii. Anna Elizabeth, bap. Sept. 10, 1693.
- iv. Susanna, bap. July 21, 1695.
- v. Elizabeth, bap. April 25, 1700.
- vi. Margarita, bap. April 2, 1704.
- vii. Isaac, bap. Jan. 25, 1708.
- viii. Steenwyck, bap. April 23, 1710; m. Catharine Roosevelt.

For further information in regard to the descendants of Isaac de Riemer and Aeltie Wessels, the reader is referred to the *De Riemer Genealogy*, and to the article on the family in the *N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. 36, p. 5, ff.

13. ANNA⁵ WESSELS (Harmanus,² Metje¹), married William Jackson, Jan. 24, 1694. He was a zealous Presbyterian and came from Edinburgh, with George Scot, the Laird of Pitlochrie, to East Jersey in 1685. He lived on Pearl Street in New York, and at

his house the first Presbyterian service in New York was held in Jan., 1707. Child:

- i. Patrick,⁴ bap. March 10, 1701; m. Anna Van der Spiegel, June 10, 1727. Their son was the Rev. William Jackson, b. 1732, who m. Anna, the dau. of the Rev. Theodorus Jacobus Frelinghuysen, a prominent Reformed Dutch minister. (For an account of this family see the excellent article by Mr. Hopper Striker Mott in vol. 37, p. 81, of the *N. Gen. & Biog. Record*.)

14. NICHOLAS³ ANTHONY (Henrica² Wessels, Metje¹), was baptized Jan. 28, 1657. He married Engeltje Schoonmaker, daughter of Hendrick Jochemse and Elsie Janse. He lived in Ulster County, and served as Clerk (1689) and Sheriff of the County. He died intestate, and letters of administration were granted to his wife Engeltje Anthony, April 15, 1696. Children:

- i. Henrica,⁴ bap. Aug. 20, 1681; d. young.
- ii. Henrica, bap. Jan. 28, 1683.
- iii. Allard, bap. Dec. 7, 1684; d. young.
- 19 iv. Hendrick, bap. Feb. 13, 1687; m. April 30, 1716, Eva Visschen (bap. Albany, July 23, 1693), dau. of Frederick Visschen and Margerita Hansen.
- 20 v. Allard, bap. June 28, 1692.
- 21 vi. Nicholas, bap. Nov. 12, 1693.

15. NICHOLAS³ COURTEN (Christina² Wessels, Metje¹), was baptised Dec. 22, 1675. He married May 23, 1701, Elizabeth de Riemer from Meuse. She was the daughter of Hubert de Riemer and Catharine (Smith?) and granddaughter of Isaac de Riemer and Lysbet Grevenraet. Hubert de Riemer was a naval surgeon. Elizabeth is mentioned in the will of her grandmother Lysbet (N. Y. Wills, vol. 1, p. 150). A sister of Hubert de Riemer, named Marghareeta, married as her second husband, Oct. 20, 1686, Dominie Henricus Selyns, Pastor of the Reformed Dutch Church. The will of Henry Coerten of New York is dated Nov. 4, 1741, and was proved July 7, 1747. He speaks of a house in Hunters Dock; of his wife Elizabeth, of his son Barent, his daughter Margaret, wife of William Kingsland, and of his daughters Christina and Anne. He speaks of his friends Richard Ashfield and Nicholas Bayard, who are to be consulted in the execution of the will by the wife (N. Y. Wills, vol. iv, p. 146). Children:

- 22 i. Margarita,⁴ bap. Dec. 13, 1704; m. Wm. Kingsland.
- ii. Christina, bap. Feb. 10, 1708.
- iii. Catharine, bap. June 21, 1710.
- iv. Anna, bap. Jan. 25, 1716.
- v. Hendrikus, bap. Oct. 6, 1717.
- vi. Barent, bap. Dec. 25, 1718.
- vii. Elizabeth, bap. Feb. 15, 1721.

16. WESSELS³ ALRICKS (Maria² Wessels, Metje¹), married, probably, Elizabeth, daughter of John Purdy of All Hallows Parish, Ann Arundel County, Maryland. He was the Sheriff of New Castle County, resigning in 1700. He died, it is said, in 1730. Children:

- i. Peter.⁴
- ii. Harmanus.
- 23 iii. Ann, m. William Glen.
- iv. Mary, m. Joseph Hill.
- v. Martha, m. — Griffith.

17. RICHARD⁴ ASHFIELD (Maria³ Wessels, Warnar,² Metje¹), was baptised Dec. 15, 1695. He became one of the chief Proprietors of East Jersey through his grandmother, who was Patience, sister and heir of Thomas Hart, one of the original twenty-four proprietors. In Sept., 1725, Richard Ashfield was appointed Receiver General of the Board of Proprietors of East Jersey; was in business as a merchant in New York in Aug., 1732, was appointed Sheriff of the city by Rip Van Dam, Sept. 29, 1736, and in 1740 was recommended by Governor Morris for appointment to the New Jersey Council. He married Isabella, daughter of Governor Lewis Morris of New Jersey, whose wife was Isabella Graham. Isabella Graham was a daughter of Colonel James Graham, Attorney General of East Jersey; they were married Nov. 3, 1691. The will of Richard Ashfield of New York, merchant, is dated Aug. 19, 1732, and was proved July 27, 1742. He mentions his children, Lewis Morris, Richard Morris, Mary, and Isabella Ashfield. A son Vincent Pearce Ashfield was born after the making of the will and is not mentioned. He speaks of land in Essex County, in Perth Amboy, N. J., and in New York. The residuary estate is left to his brother-in-law, Robert Hunter Morris, and Henry Coerten, mariner, in trust for the wife and children. Isabella was named executrix, but she predeceased him, and Robert Hunter Morris was made executor. Children:

- 24 i. Lewis Morris,⁵ m. Elizabeth Redford, Feb. 4, 1748.
- ii. Richard Morris.
- iii. Mary.
- iv. Isabella, m. Samuel Hunt of Westchester, N. Y., Nov. 27, 1748.
- 25 v. Vincent Pearce, m. Sarah Morris, Sept. 15, 1772.

18. ANNA MARGARET⁴ TELLER (Christina³ Wessels, Warnar,² Metje¹), was baptised Aug. 1, 1694, and married Dirk Egbertze, Sept. 25, 1709. He died intestate, and letters of administration of his estate were granted to his wife, Nov. 13, 1732. Children:

- 26 i. Christina,⁵ bap. Sept. 23, 1711; m. John Wanshaar, Nov. 4, 1736.
- ii. Egbert, bap. Oct. 14, 1713.
- iii. Maria, bap. June 6, 1722.

19. HENDRICK⁴ ANTHONY (Nicholas,³ Henrica² Wessels, Metje¹), was baptised Feb. 13, 1687. He married, April 30, 1716, Eva Visschen, baptised at Albany, July 23, 1693, a daughter of Frederick Visschen of Albany and Margarieta Hansen. Frederick Visschen was a son of Harmon Bastianse Visscher or Visschen, b. in 1619. He was in New York as early as 1649. His father lived in Hoorn, Holland, in 1675. His wife was Hester Tjerkse. Frederick Visschen and Margariet Hansen were married Jan. 13, 1692. She died Aug. 30, 1701. Children:

- i. Margrietje,* bap. Sept. 30, 1716.
- ii. Engeltje, bap. March 2, 1718.
- iii. Nicolas, bap. May 8, 1720.
- iv. Margreta, bap. Feb. 14, 1722.
- v. Aefje, bap. Nov. 11, 1724.
- vi. Frederik, bap. Feb. 12, 1729.
- vii. Hendrica, bap. May 27, 1731.

20. ALLARD⁴ ANTHONY (Nicholas,* Henrica³ Wessels, Metje¹), was baptised June 28, 1692. He married (1) Anna Laurier, Sept. 24, 1718; married (2) Susanna Laurier, April 21, 1726. It appears that he was a shoemaker. The date of his death has not been found. Children:

By first wife:

- i. Nicolaas,* bap. July 12, 1719.
- ii. Nicolaas, bap. Sept. 10, 1721.
- iii. Marretje, bap. Feb. 5, 1724.

By second wife:

- iv. Allard, bap. March 15, 1727.
- v. Susana, bap. July 9, 1729.

21. NICHOLAS⁴ ANTHONY (Nicholas,* Henrica³ Wessels, Metje¹), was baptised Nov. 12, 1693. He married (1) Rebecca Petersen, May 19, 1719. She was the daughter of Pieter Jacobsen and Rebecca Jans, and was baptised Sept. 24, 1698. He married (2) March 17, 1733, Hester Elsworth, widow of Theophilus Elsworth, whom she married May 25, 1723, and daughter of Pieter Willemse Roome and Hester Van Gelder. She was baptised Feb. 9, 1701 (see *Roome Genealogy*). The will of Nicholas Anthony of New York City is dated Sept. 24, 1784, and was proved April 27, 1786. He mentions his eldest son Theophilus, his eldest daughter Rebecca Hardenbrook, grandson Nicholas Hardenbrook, son of Theophilus deceased, son Nicholas, daughter Mary Brevoort, his step-daughter Hester Rose, widow. The son Nicholas was appointed the sole executor. Children:

By first wife:

- i. Rebecca,* bap. Jan. 3, 1720.
- ii. Nicholas, bap. Aug. 27, 1721.
- iii. Pieter, bap. April 3, 1723.
- iv. Allard, bap. June 27, 1725.
- v. Rebecka, bap. June 28, 1727.
- vi. Engeltje, bap. Aug. 20, 1729.
- vii. Johannes, bap. Feb. 7, 1731.

By second wife:

- viii. Rebecca, bap. May 5, 1734.
- ix. Theophilus, bap. Aug. 31, 1735.
- x. Engeltje, bap. Jan. 2, 1737.
- xi. Maria, bap. July 8, 1739.
- xii. Nicholas N., b. Jan. 14, 1742; d. Oct. 20, 1824; m. April 15, 1776, Susanna Roome, who was bap. Dec. 20, 1747; d. Dec. 24, 1793. They had a daughter Hester, bap. Oct. 8, 1769; d. Feb., 1812, who m. Jan.

17, 1790, Samuel Babbington De Riemer, b. July 7, 1768; d. Oct. 2, 1815. Nicholas N. Anthony was a Captain in the Third Reg., N. Y. Mil. in the Revolution. For descendants of Samuel Babbington De Riemer, see the *N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. 36, p. 12.

22. MARGARETA^a COURTEN (Hendrick,^a Christina^a Wessels, Metje¹), was baptized Dec. 13, 1704. She married Dec. 13, 1732, William Kingsland. It would seem that he was a son of Colonel Edmond Kingsland of New Barbadoes in Bergen County, N. J. Francis Willoughby of New York leaves William Kingsland, son of Col. Edmond Kingsland, £50 by his will, dated Nov. 10, 1732, on condition that he name his first son Francis. Some account of the Kingsland family is to be found in the *History of Hudson County, N. J.*, p. 545-9.

23. ANN^a ALRICKS (Wessels,^a Maria^a Wessels, Metje¹), married William Glen, June 16, 1731, in Christ Church, Philadelphia. William Glen settled in Charleston, S. C., and from the records of that Parish, we learn the names of the children. Children:

- i. William,^a m. Martha Miller.
- 27 ii. John, m. Sarah Jones.
- iii. Martha, d. s. p.
- iv. Charlotte, m. John McCall, Jr., and had Charlotte Pegg McCall, who d. s. p.

24. LEWIS MORRIS^a ASHFIELD (Richard,^a Maria^a Wessels, Warner^a Metje¹), married Elizabeth Redford, Feb. 4, 1748. The Redford family was of Amboy and Freehold in New Jersey. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar, May, 1746, and eighteen years later was licensed as Sergeant. Through the influence of his uncle, Robert Hunter Morris, Lewis Morris Ashfield was recommended, March 26, 1751, by the Lords of Trade for appointment to the Council of New Jersey, which gave rise to a long and acrimonious dispute with Governor Belcher. Mr. Ashfield became involved in a street encounter, for which he was indicted in Aug., 1751, but was acquitted the following March. Governor Belcher managed to keep him from taking his seat in the Council until 1753; but he served for many years in the office. The will of Lewis Morris Ashfield is dated Aug. 5, 1769, and was proved Aug. 22, 1770; his brother Vincent Pearce Ashfield was made executor. For data in regard to his family, the reader is referred to a document published in the *N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. 29, p. 92. Here only the children and the marriages will be noted. Children:

- i. Redford,^a resided in Barbadoes; d. in Demarara about 1786 or 1787 without issue, leaving his property to his sister Euphemia Brinkerhoff.
- ii. Mary, m. Col. Elisha Lawrence (son of John, near Allentown, N. J.); lived in Nova Scotia and d. about the end of the Revolution without issue. (See Sabine's *Loyalists in the American Revolution*, vol. 2, p. 3.)

- iii. Euphemia, b. about 1753; m. George D. Brinkerhoff and lived at Parcupany in Morris Co., N. J. She had daughters Elizabeth and Euphemia.
- iv. Elizabeth, m. William Wilcocks, Esq., of New York. She left children: Elizabeth, b. Sept. 21, 1784, who m. Henry Watkins; Lewis; Maria, who m. John French Ellis of New York; and William, Jr., b. May 25, 1786.
- v. Lydia, d. young and s. p.
- vi. Catharine, m. April 20, 1777, Thomas Shrieve (Trinity Church, N. Y.), a Church of England clergyman, who went to Nova Scotia. He d. at Lunenburg, N. S., Aug. 21, 1816. They left issue: Elizabeth, m. — Gorrold or Gerrol of Natches in Mississippi, and had issue. The statement on p. 92, vol. 29, of the *Record*, that Catharine, dau. of Thomas Shrieve, m. the Rev. Isaac Wilkins, D. D., is evidently in error. He m. Isabella, sister of Gouverneur Morris, as appears from her mother's will (N. Y. Wills, vol. 13, p. 270). The Rev. Isaac Wilkins, D. D., was the father and grandfather respectively of the two Lewis Morris Wilkineses, Judges of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia and otherwise prominent (*N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. 29, p. 176, and Sabine's *American Loyalists*).

25. VINCENT PEARCE⁵ ASHFIELD (Richard,⁴ Maria³ Wessels, Warnae,² Metje¹), is not mentioned in the will of his father; he must therefore have been born sometime between 1732, the date of the will, and the death of the father in 1742. He is made the executor of his brother Lewis Morris Ashfield, who speaks of him as his brother. He married Sept. 15, 1772, Sarah, the daughter of Colonel Lewis Morris, of Morrisania, Judge of Admiralty, and a sister of Lewis Morris, the signer of the Declaration of Independence, and of Gouverneur Morris, Minister to France, at the time of the French Revolution. Judge Lewis Morris was the son of Lewis Morris (1672–1746), Governor of New Jersey, and a grandson of Richard Morris, the founder of the family of Morrisania. Judge Lewis Morris was born in New Jersey, Sept. 23, 1698, and died at Morrisania, July 3, 1762. His second wife, the mother of Sarah Ashfield, was Sarah, daughter of Isaac Gouverneur, whom he married Nov. 3, 1746. She died Jan. 14, 1786. The daughter Sarah was born Nov. 23, 1749; she was christened by Thomas Standard, Dec. 13, 1749. The godmothers were Mrs. Low and the wife of Lewis Morris, the signer, and he was the godfather (*N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. 7, p. 17). Sarah (Gouverneur) Morris, widow of Judge Lewis Morris, made a will dated June 9, 1783, which was proved Jan. 26, 1786. She mentions her son Gouverneur, her daughters Euphemia Ogden and Isabella Wilkins. Apparently her daughter Sarah, wife of Vincent Pearce Ashfield, was deceased; for though she is not mentioned as living, he and her children are. She mentions her grandchildren Lewis and Catharine Ashfield, Sarah and Joanna Wilkins. She mentions

also her nieces Mary Ashfield and Joanna Moore, wife of Mr. Nathaniel Moore. The executors are her son Gouverneur and her sons-in-law Isaac Wilkins and Samuel Ogden. Children:

i. Lewis.⁶

ii. Catharine.

26. CHRISTINA⁵ EGBERTZE (Anna Margaret⁴ Teller, Christina³ Wessels, Warnae,² Metje¹), was baptised Sept. 23, 1711, and married John Wanshaar, Nov. 4, 1736. Child:

i. Johannes, bap. Dec. 4, 1737.

27. JOHN⁶ GLEN (Ann⁴ (Alricks) Glen, Wessels,³ Maria² (Wessels) Alricks, Metje¹), married Sarah, daughter of Dr. Noble Wimberley Jones, a prominent patriot in the Revolution. The wife of Dr. Jones was Sarah, daughter of John and Theodora (Cooke) Davis. John Davis was a planter in Georgia. John Glen was Chief Justice of Georgia (1776-1778), Judge of the United States District Court, Mayor of Savannah, and held other important offices. Children:

i. James, M. D., m. Jan. 14, 1808, Mary Francis Lewis.

ii. Noble, m. a lady of Virginia.

iii. Thomas, m. in 1811, Ann Waldburg.

iv. George.

v. Margaret, m. April 20, 1795, William Hunter.

vi. Sarah, m. in 1793, Archibald Stobo Bulloch (see *Bulloch Genealogy*).

vii. Ann Mary, m. Oct. 15, 1808, Thomas Bourke.

viii. Catharine Jones, m. Dr. John Grimes.

ix. Mary Jones, m. (1) George H. Milnor; m. (2) Mr. Dick.

x. Charlotte, m. Jan. 1, 1814, John Irvine Bulloch. (For descendants, see *N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record*, vol. 44, p. 231, and the *Bulloch Genealogy*.)

xi. William, d. Aug. 17, 1789, aged 11 years, 6 months.

xii. John Noble, d. Aug. 17, 1789, aged 10 years, 10 months.

